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THE ONLY
PERSON IN THE
ENTIRE WORLD...



...CAPABLE
OF ENHANCING AN
AWAKENED BEING'S
ABILITIES IS HERE.



I PRESENT TO
YOU, MS. NORMA
SELNER.

...

I CAN TELL THAT
SHE'S A COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT TYPE OF
AWAKENED BEING.

MS. SELNER.

PLEASE
EXPLAIN TO MR. SUNG
HERE THE SCOPE OF
YOUR POWERS.

YOU MUST BE
SKEPTICAL ABOUT
ALL THIS.



EVERYONE GIVES ME
THAT SAME LOOK OF
DOUBT AT FIRST.



HOWEVER,

PLACE

ONCE YOU GET
A TASTE OF MY
POWERS,

YOU'LL BE
BEGGING FOR
MORE.



MS. SELNER!



AS YOU
MAY ALREADY KNOW,
EVERY AWAKENED BEING
HAS A LIMIT TO THEIR
STRENGTH,

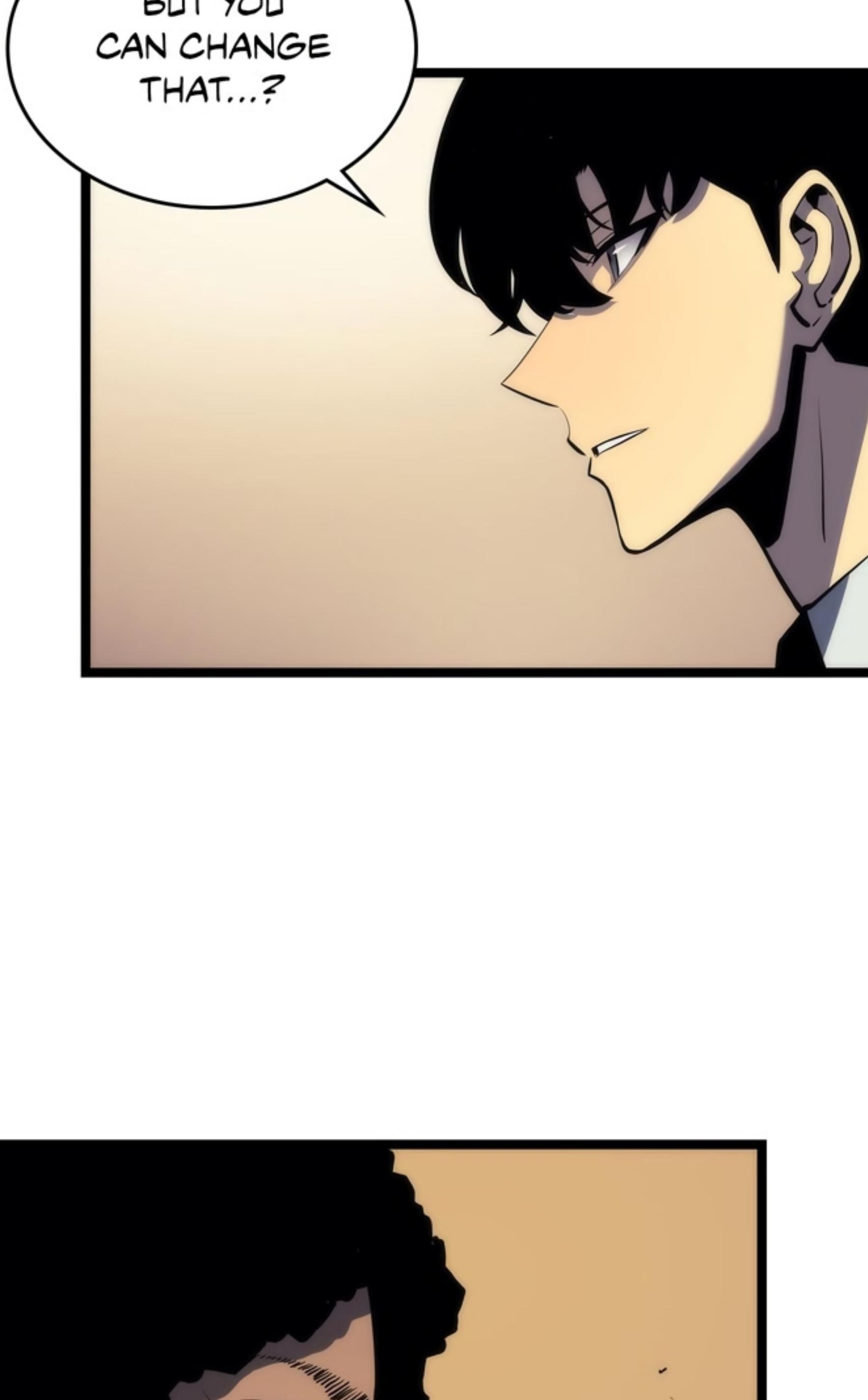
AND NO ONE
CAN REACH PAST
THEIR LIMITS.

SO AN AWAKENED
BEING'S RANK WILL
ALWAYS STAY THE
SAME...

...UNLESS THEY
UNDERGO A SECOND
AWAKENING.

THIS FACT IS
COMMON KNOWLEDGE
AMONG HUNTERS.

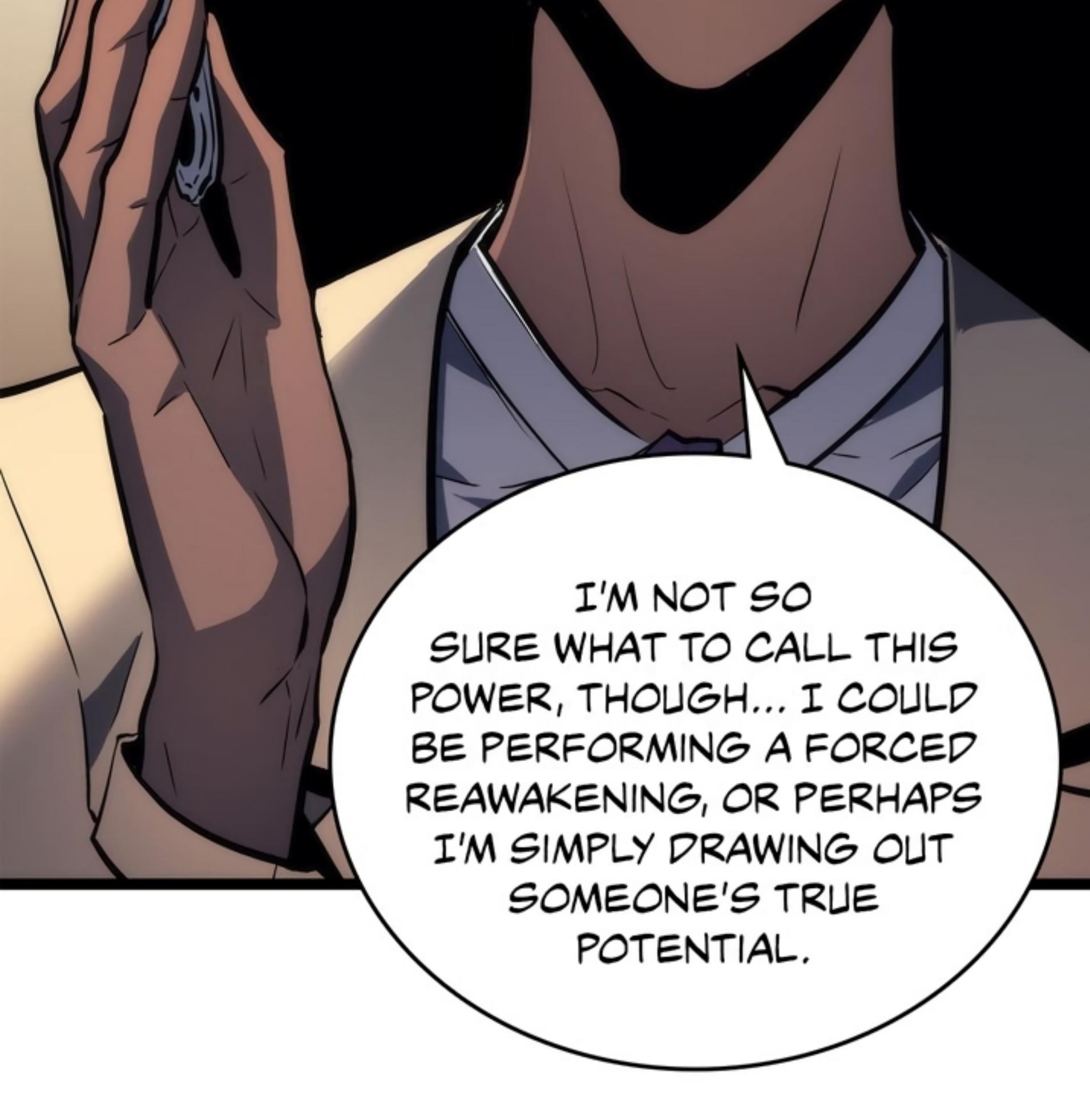




BUT YOU
CAN CHANGE
THAT...?

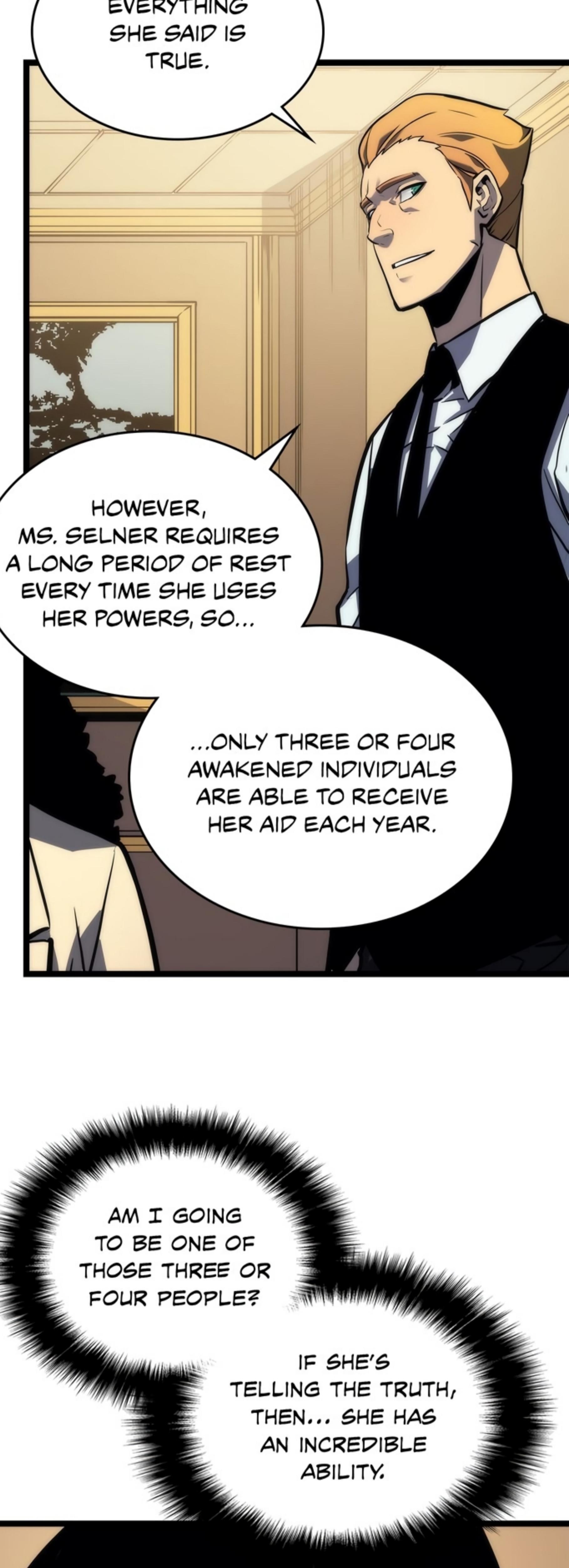


THROUGH A PROCESS
OF THREE STAGES,
I CAN LIFT THEIR
LIMITATIONS.



I'M NOT SO
SURE WHAT TO CALL THIS
POWER, THOUGH... I COULD
BE PERFORMING A FORCED
REAWAKENING, OR PERHAPS
I'M SIMPLY DRAWING OUT
SOMEONE'S TRUE
POTENTIAL.

EVERYTHING
SHE SAID IS
TRUE.



HOWEVER,
MS. SELNER REQUIRES
A LONG PERIOD OF REST
EVERY TIME SHE USES
HER POWERS, SO...

...ONLY THREE OR FOUR
AWAKENED INDIVIDUALS
ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE
HER AID EACH YEAR.

AM I GOING
TO BE ONE OF
THOSE THREE OR
FOUR PEOPLE?

IF SHE'S
TELLING THE TRUTH,
THEN... SHE HAS
AN INCREDIBLE
ABILITY.



...HOW EFFECTIVE
IS THIS PROCESS,
EXACTLY?

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FOR EACH PERSON, BUT
AFTER GOING THROUGH
ALL THREE STAGES,
THE INDIVIDUAL WILL
EXPERIENCE...



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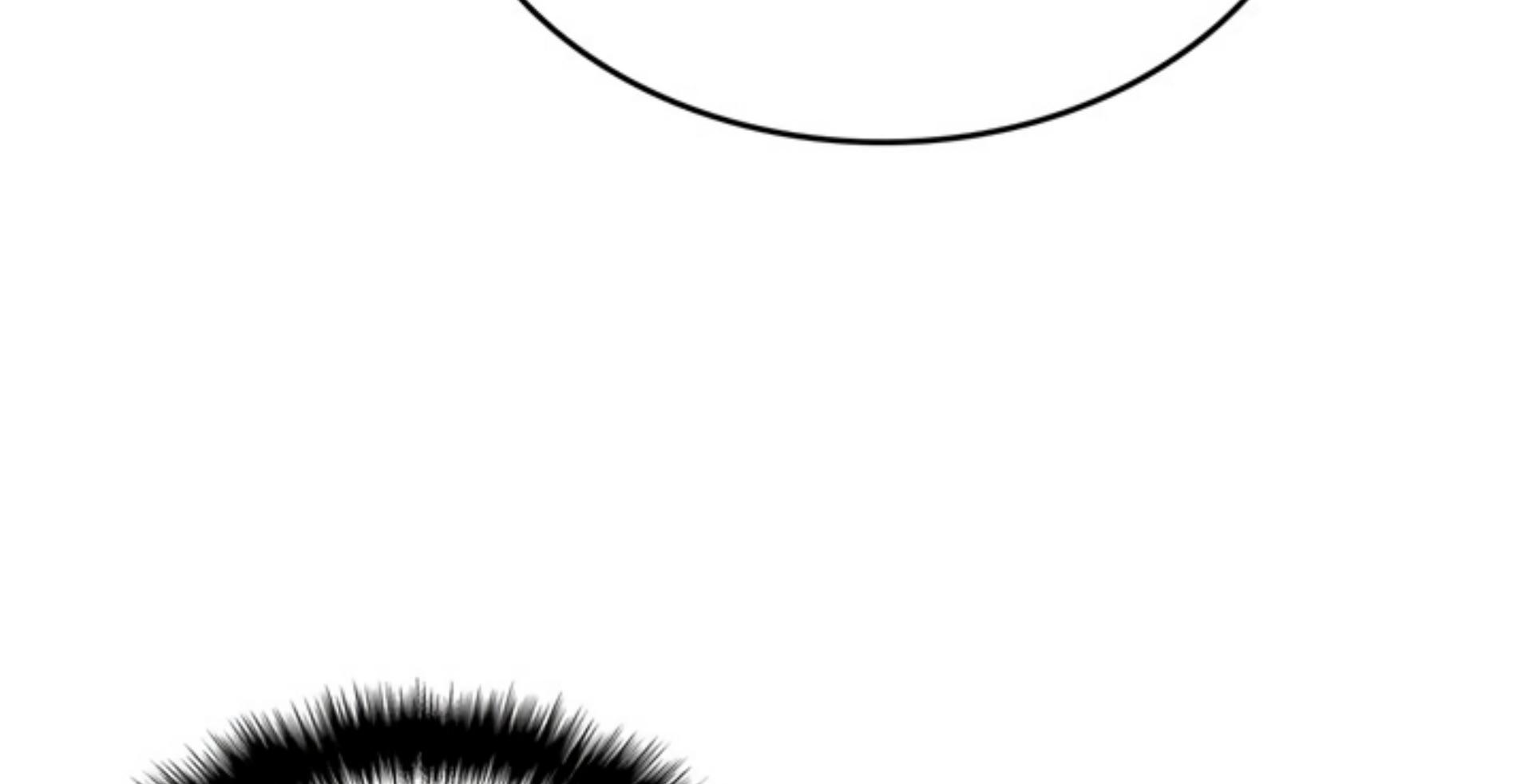
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...ANYWHERE BETWEEN
A 20% TO 30% INCREASE
IN STRENGTH.



WAIT, 20%
TO 30%?



THAT'S
INSANE...



I NOW UNDERSTAND WHY
HWANG DONGSOO DECIDED TO
MOVE TO AMERICA DESPITE
GETTING SO MUCH HATE
FROM THE PUBLIC.



WHO WOULD
TURN DOWN SUCH
AN OFFER?



ANY HUNTER
WOULD JUMP AT AN
OPPORTUNITY LIKE
THIS.

IF ANYONE WERE
TO FIND OUT ABOUT
HER POWERS,
THEN...

THAT'S PRECISELY
WHY SHE'S UNDER
OUR CARE.

WE ENSURE
HER SAFETY WHILE
ALSO COMPENSATING
HER WITH A SUITABLE
SALARY,

AND IN RETURN,
SHE HEIGHTENS THE
ABILITIES OF THE
HUNTERS WE
CHOOSE.

MS. SELNER'S
POWERS.

WE WISH TO PRESENT
YOU WITH THIS GIFT,
MR. SUNG.



MEAN OFFER?



ONCE YOU BECOME A HUNTER OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU, YOU WILL BECOME OUR TOP PRIORITY AND RECEIVE PREFERENTIAL BENEFITS.

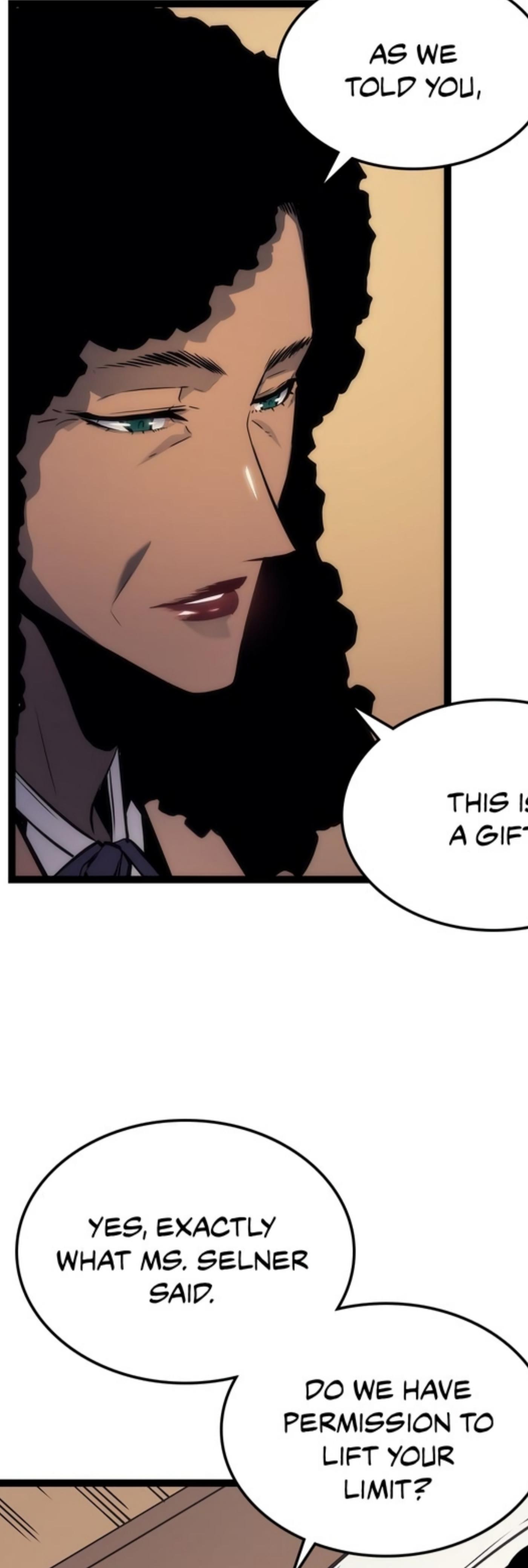
IN ADDITION, WE WILL ARRANGE A MEETING WITH THE GUILD OF YOUR CHOICE AND HELP YOU SIGN THE BEST CONTRACT.



SLIDE

YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION RIGHT AWAY. WE'RE JUST EASING YOU INTO THINGS TODAY.

EXCUSE ME?



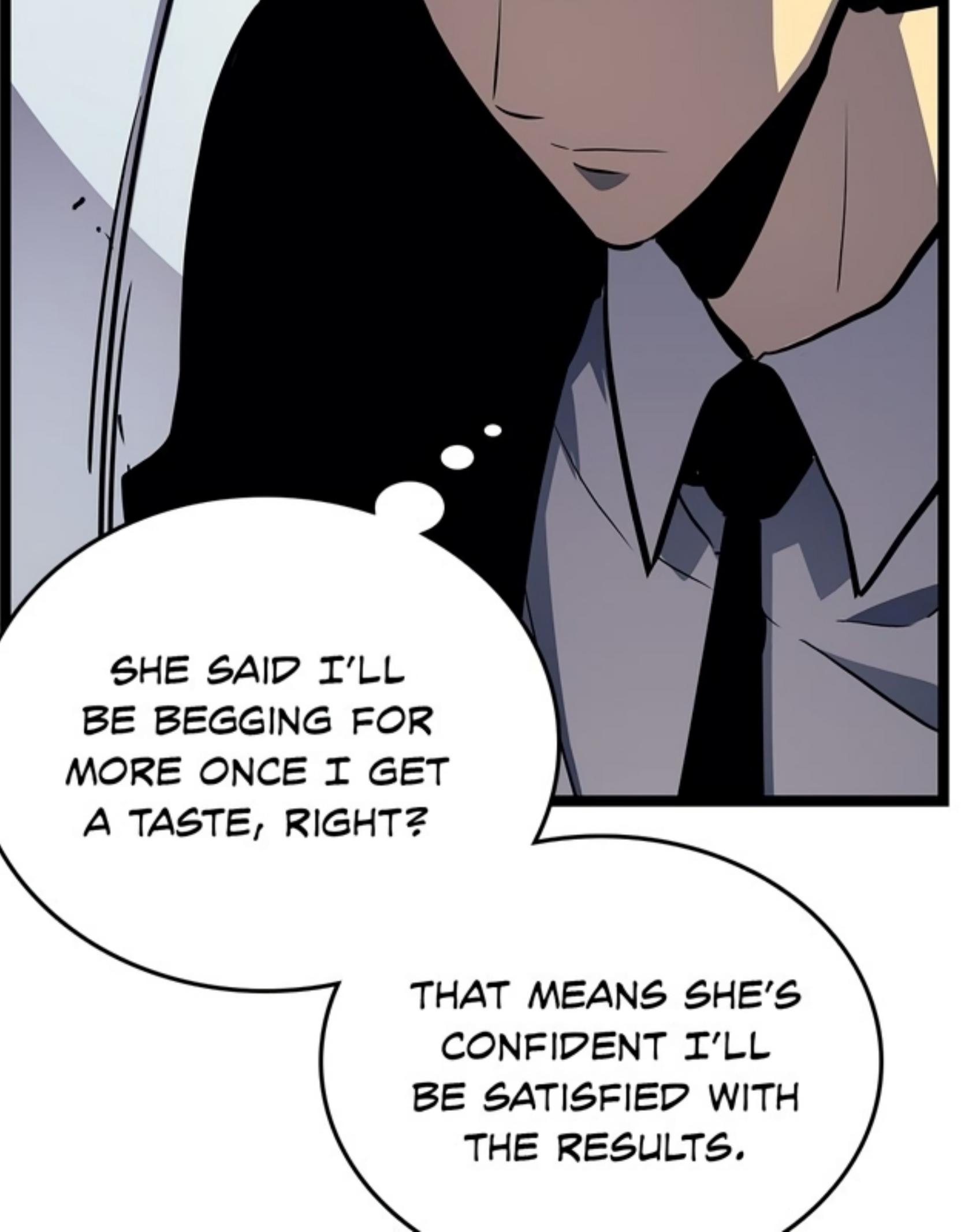
AS WE
TOLD YOU,

THIS IS
A GIFT.



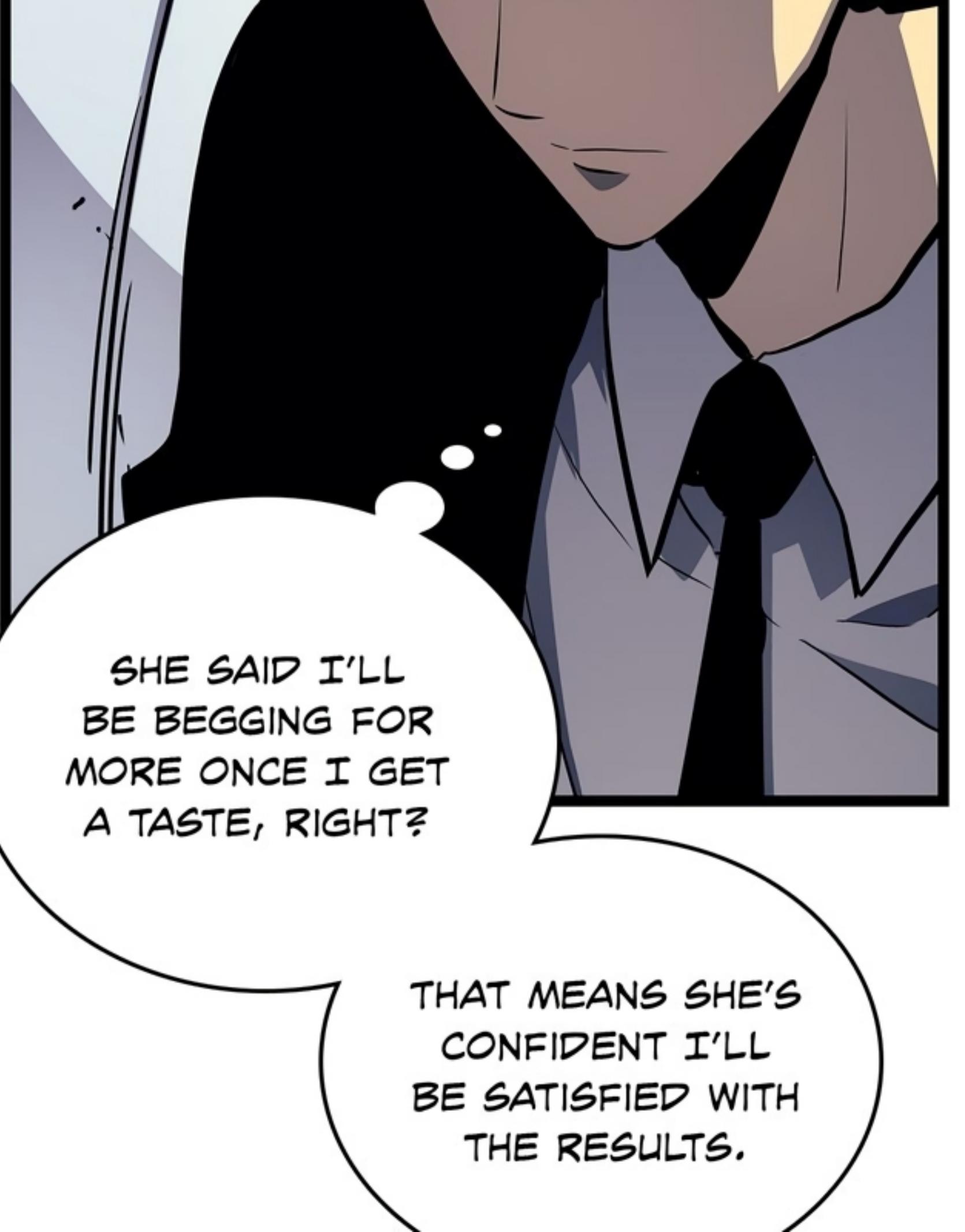
YES, EXACTLY
WHAT MS. SELNER
SAID.

DO WE HAVE
PERMISSION TO
LIFT YOUR
LIMIT?



FOR NOTHING
IN RETURN?

JUST
THINK OF IT AS
A COMPLIMENTARY
SERVICE,
MR. SUNG.



SHE SAID I'LL
BE BEGGING FOR
MORE ONCE I GET
A TASTE, RIGHT?

THAT MEANS SHE'S
CONFIDENT I'LL
BE SATISFIED WITH
THE RESULTS.

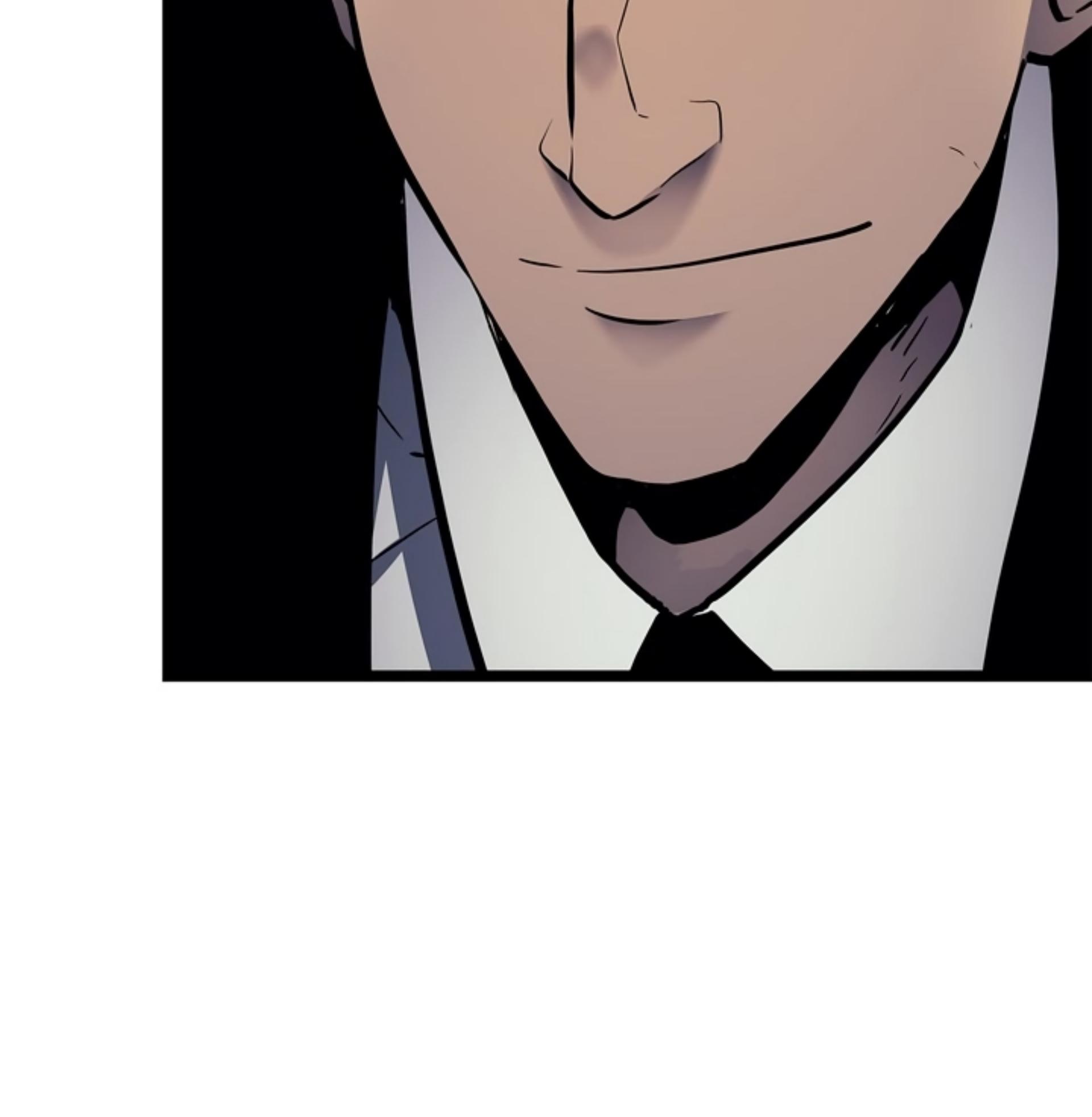


LOOK INTO
MY EYES...

CLOSELY.



THIS IS THE
FIRST STEP.



NICE! HE
TOOK THE
BAIT!

HE'S BEEN ABLE TO KEEP HIS COOL UNTIL NOW, BUT ONCE THE FIRST STAGE IS COMPLETED, HE'LL BE THE ONE TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US.



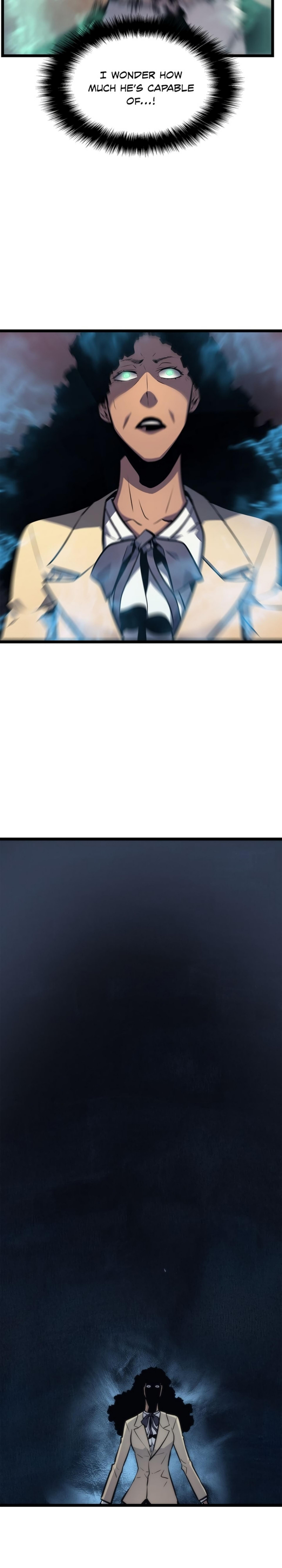
NO, IF HE'S THE IMPATIENT TYPE, HE MIGHT EVEN SIGN THE PAPERS HERE AND NOW.

GOTO RYUJI WAS STRONG ENOUGH TO BE A NATIONAL LEVEL HUNTER, YET THIS MAN WAS ABLE TO ACHIEVE THE THINGS HE COULD NOT.

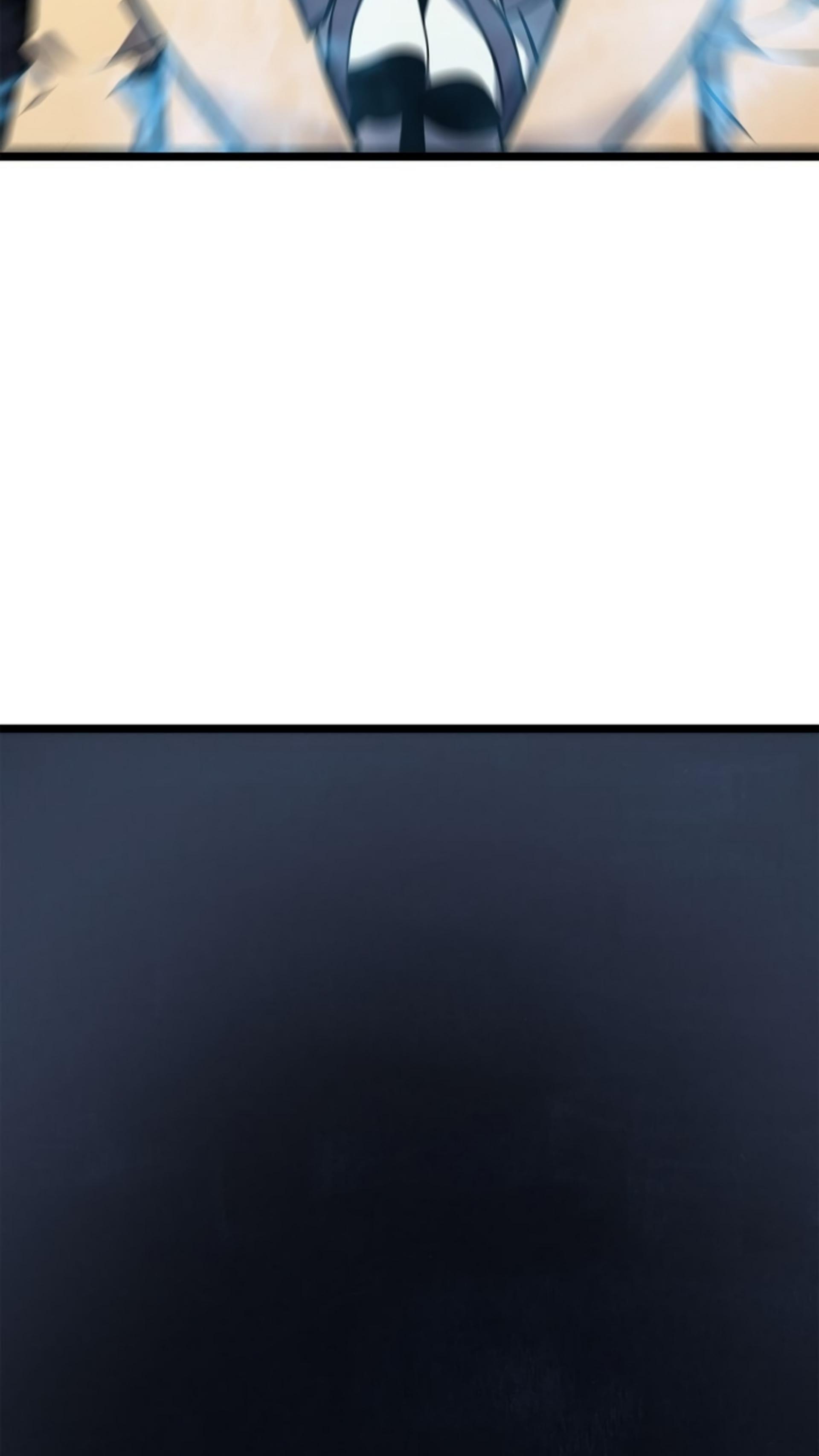


HE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE JEJU ISLAND RAID WITH POWERS NEVER BEFORE SEEN.

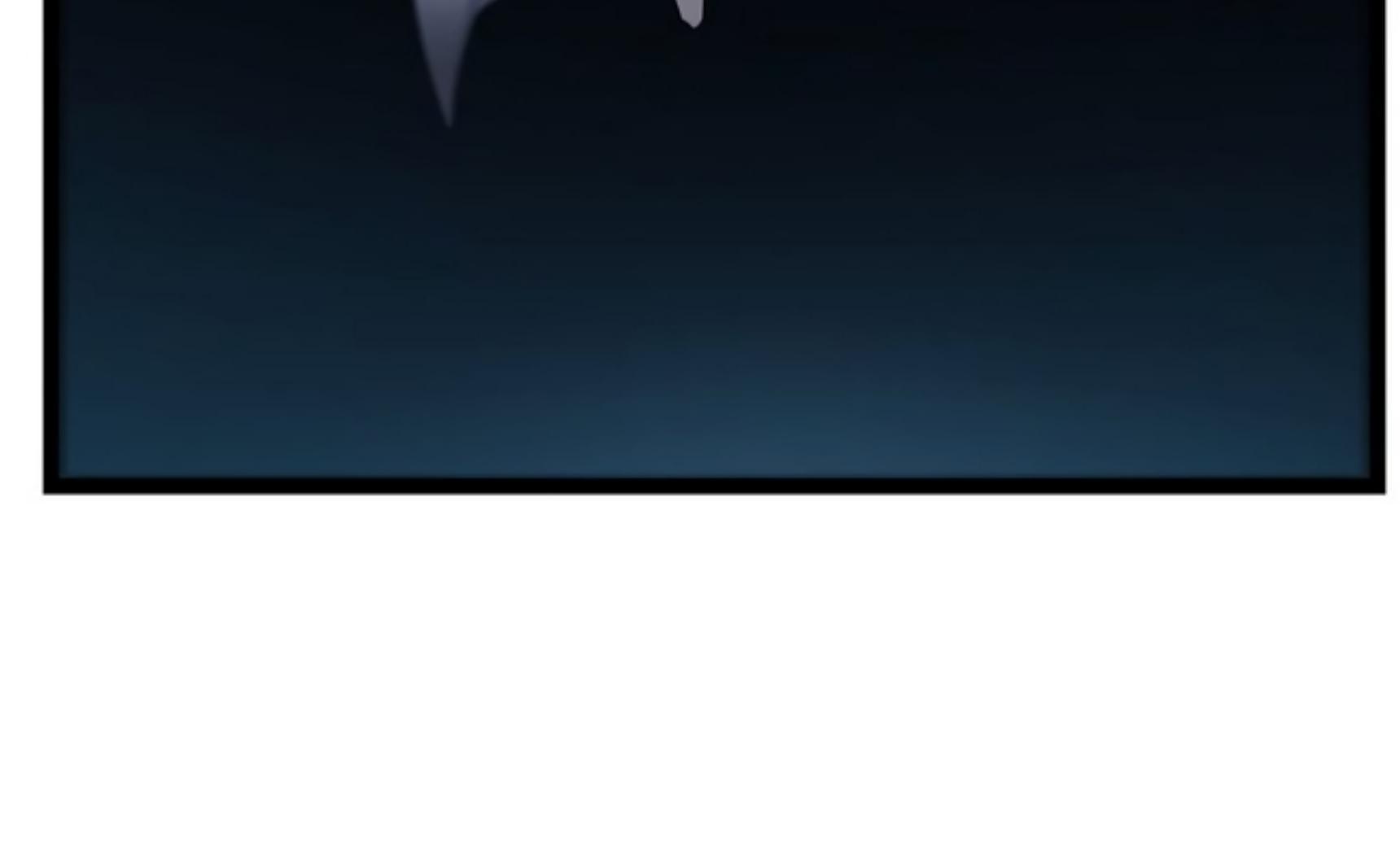
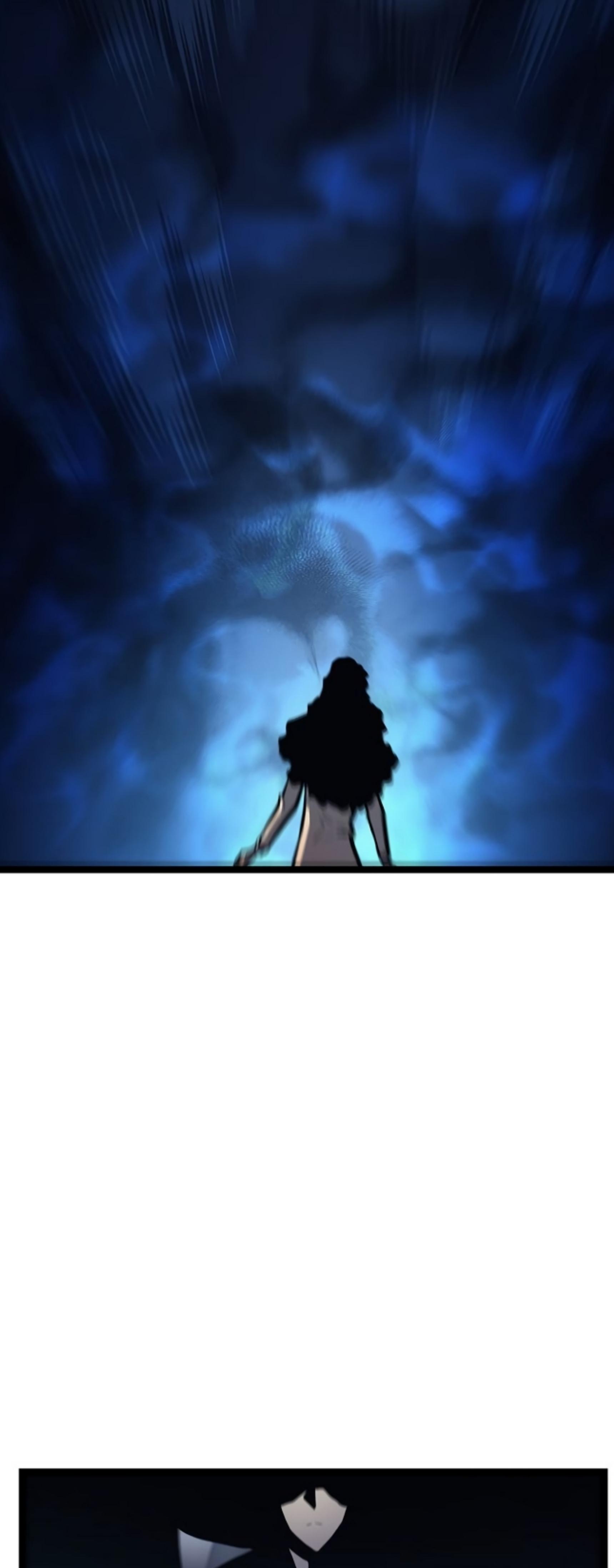
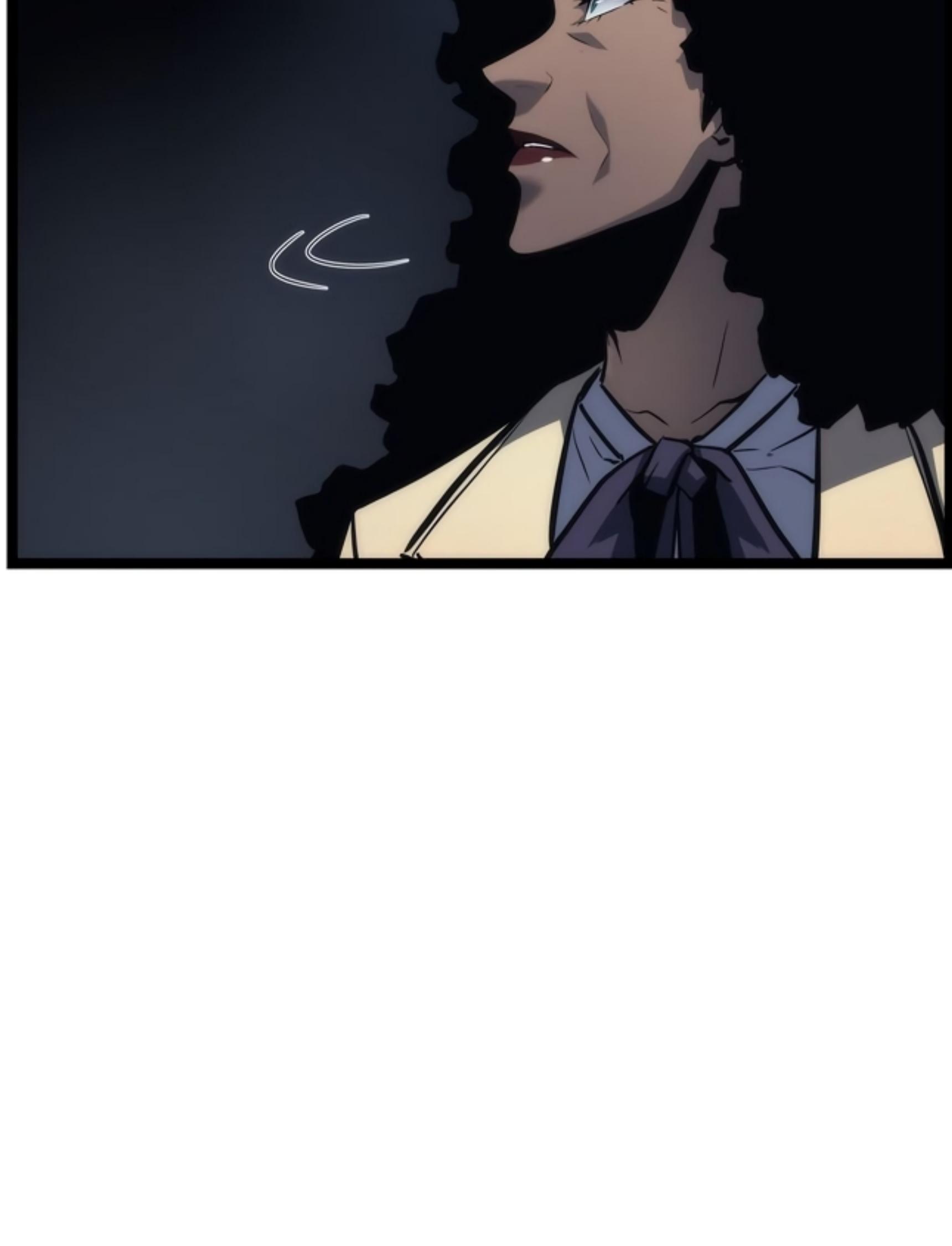




I WONDER HOW
MUCH HE'S CAPABLE
OF...!



He's... he's... he's...



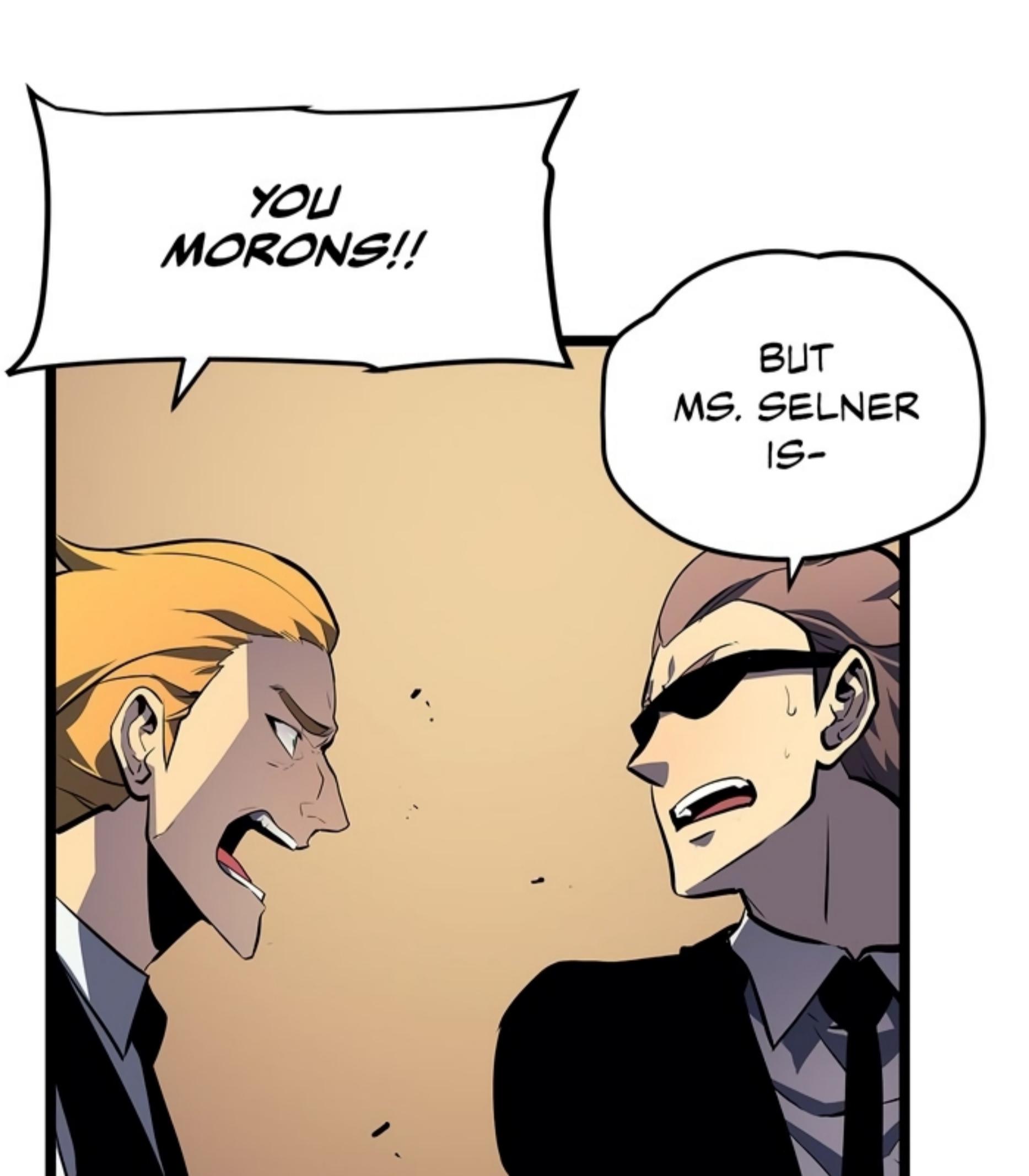


YOU BASTARD, WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO MS. SELNER?!



STOP!! ARE YOU GUYS OUT OF YOUR MINDS?!

DON'T YOU KNOW WHO THIS MAN IS?!



YOU MORONS!!

BUT MS. SELNER IS-

IF YOU'RE THAT WORRIED, GO AND CHECK UP ON HER!!



MY APOLOGIES,
MR. SUNG.

OUR AGENTS
STEPPED OUT
OF LINE.



WHAT THE HECK
IS GOING ON?

...IT'S ALL RIGHT.

IF YOU HAD DONE
SOMETHING LIKE THIS
TO THOMAS ANDRE OR
LIU ZHIGANG, ALL OF US
WOULD'VE BEEN DEAD
BY NOW.

GOT IT?

Y...YES, SIR!

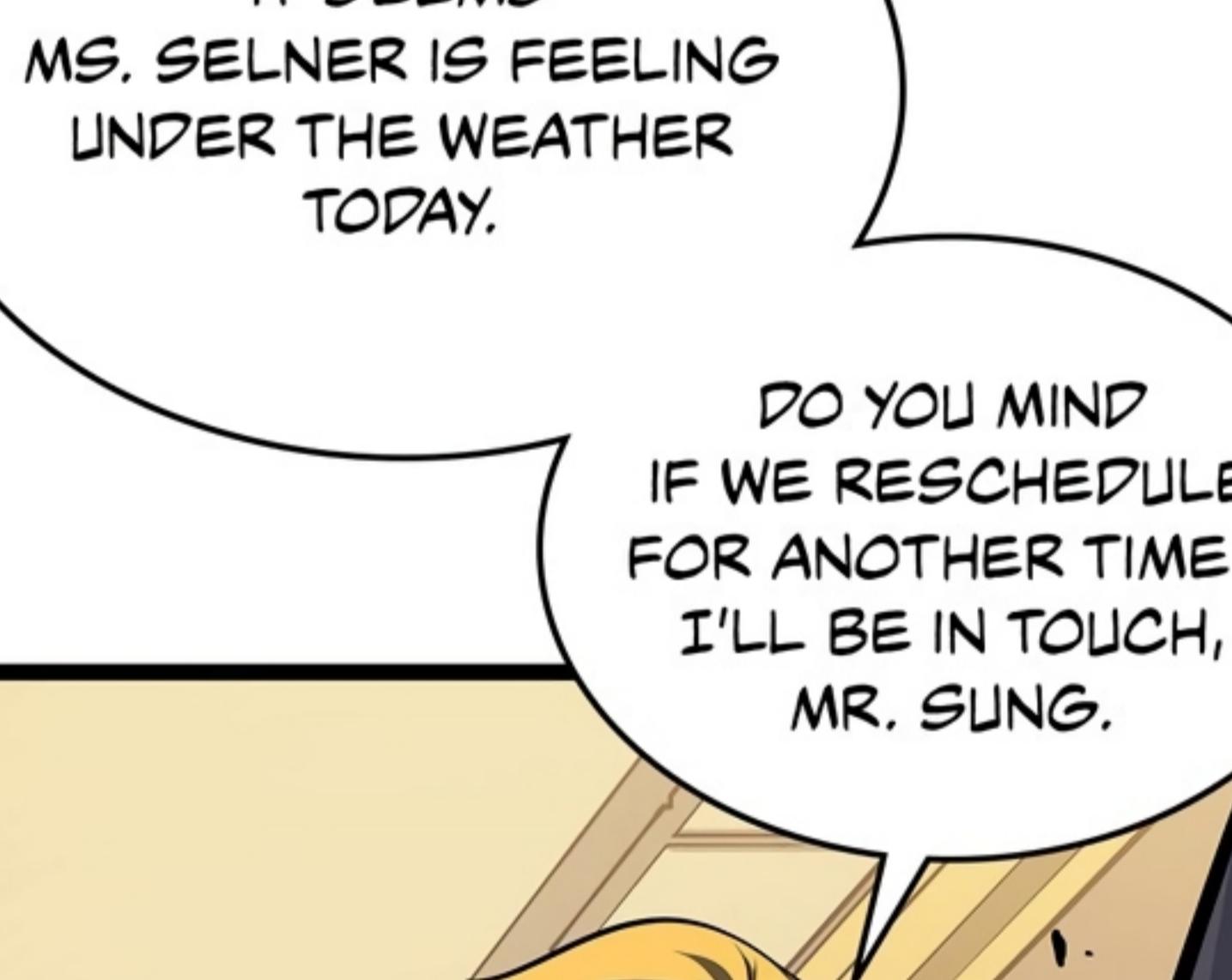
WHAT'S
THE MATTER,
MS. SELNER?

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

YOU'RE
COVERED IN
SWEAT...

ARE YOU
NOT FEELING
WELL?



IT SEEMS
MS. SELNER IS FEELING
UNDER THE WEATHER
TODAY.

DO YOU MIND
IF WE RESCHEDULE
FOR ANOTHER TIME?
I'LL BE IN TOUCH,
MR. SUNG.

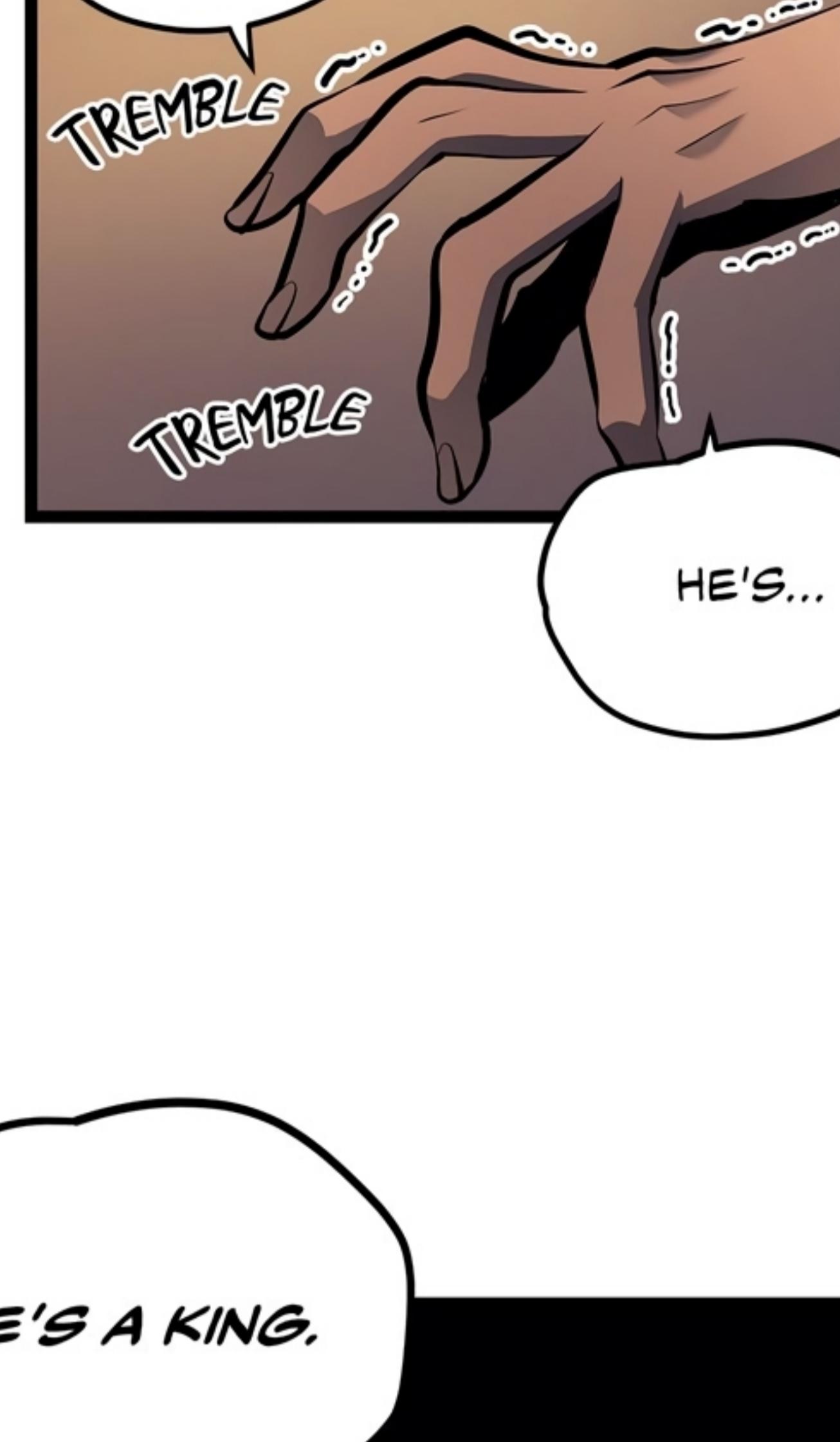


...SURE.

ADAM, PLEASE
SHOW MR. SUNG
THE WAY OUT.

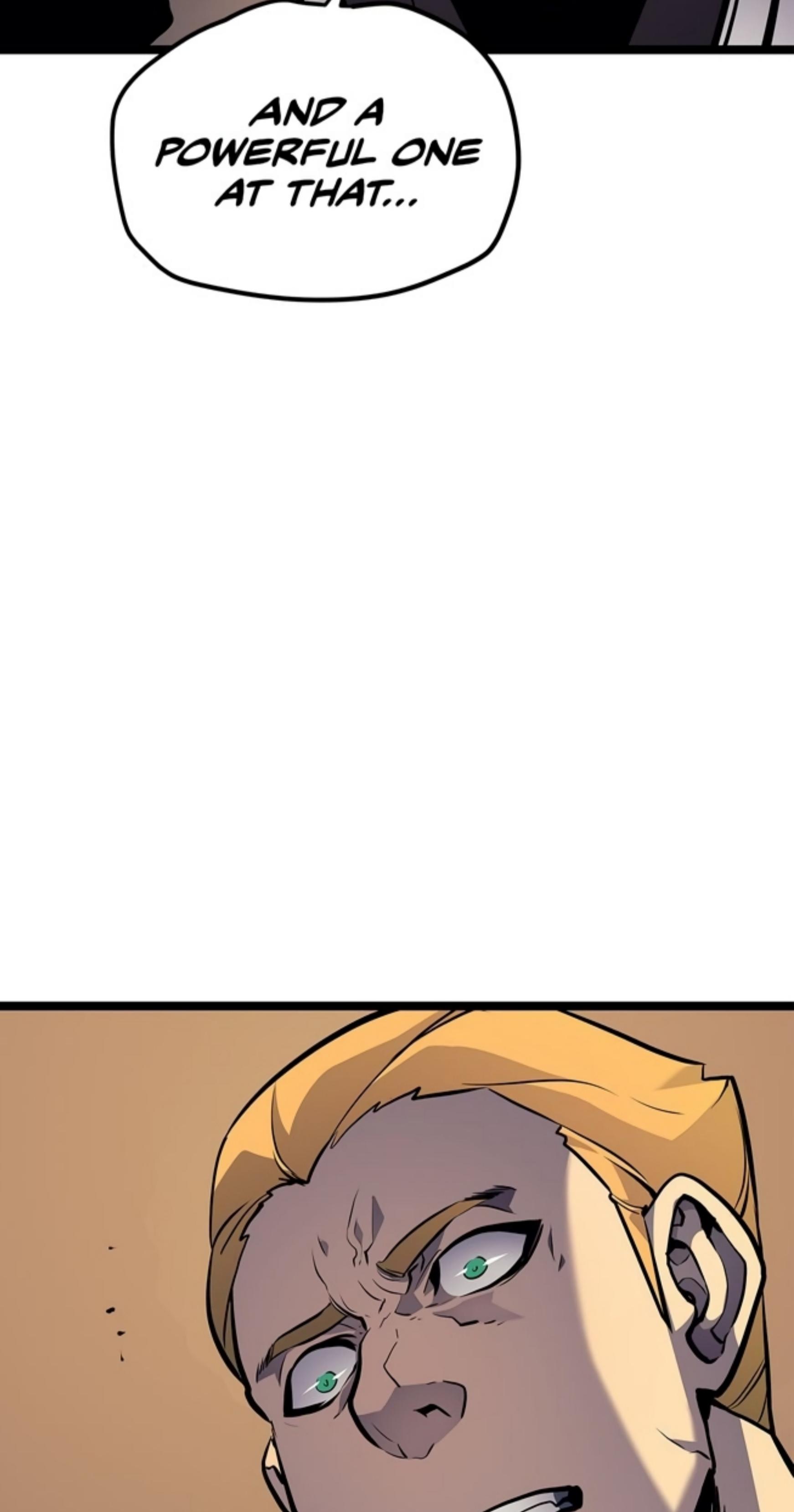
OF COURSE.

MS. SELNER,
WHAT HAPPENED?



HE'S A KING.

AND A
POWERFUL ONE
AT THAT...



THEN DOES
THAT MEAN...

...HE'S AS
STRONG AS A
NATIONAL LEVEL
HUNTER?

THEY DON'T
DO THAT...

NO,
I CAN'T TELL
BECAUSE...

SHAKE
SHAKE

...I'VE NEVER
EXPERIENCED
ANYTHING LIKE
THIS BEFORE...

HE'S A KING
ALL RIGHT, BUT NOT
AN ORDINARY
ONE.

WHILE I WAS
LOOKING AT
HIM,

HE WAS ALSO
LOOKING BACK
AT ME.

I'M NOT TALKING
ABOUT SUNG JINWOO.
THE THING THAT WAS
STARING BACK AT
ME WAS...



...AN INFINITE
DARKNESS
WITHIN HIM!!

ON TOP OF
THAT...

...THERE IS...





*...NO
LIMIT TO HIS
POWERS.*

To Be Continued...

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